

Stage 1 Water Restrictions

The City of Bedford under the guidance of the Tarrant Regional Water District and has implemented Stage 1 of the Drought Plan beginning on Monday, June 3, 2013. The following is in addition to the ordinance that restricts watering between the hours of 10:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M. Please be mindful that the restrictions will be strictly enforced. For more information contact the Environmental Specialist, Rick Garnett, at 817-952-2258 or the Public Works Department at 817-952-2200. Thank you for your part in water conservation!

Watering Days:

- Residential addresses ending in an even number (0, 2, 4, 6, or 8) may water on Wednesdays and Saturdays.
- Residential addresses ending in an odd number (1, 3, 5, 7, or 9) may water on Thursdays and Sundays.
- All non-residential locations (apartment complexes, businesses, industries, parks, medians, etc.) may water on Tuesdays and Fridays.

Exceptions:

- Foundations may be watered up to two hours on any day using a handheld hose, soaker hose or drip irrigation system placed within 24 inches of the foundation that does not produce a spray of water above the ground.
- Newly installed shrubs (first year) and trees (two years) may be watered up to two hours on any day by handheld hose, drip irrigation, a soaker hose or tree bubbler. Tree watering is limited to an area not to exceed the drip line of a tree.
- Skinned areas of sports fields may be watered as needed for dust control.

Restrictions:

- Prohibit outdoor watering with sprinklers or irrigation systems between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.
- Prohibit hosing of paved areas, such as sidewalks, driveways, parking lots, tennis courts, patios, or other impervious surfaces, except to alleviate an immediate health or safety hazard.
- Prohibit hosing of buildings or other structures for purposes other than fire protection.
- Prohibit using water in such a manner as to allow runoff or other waste, including failure to repair a controllable leak within a reasonable period of

time after having been given notice to repair such leak. Types of leaks include a broken sprinkler head, a leaking valve, leaking or broken pipes, or a leaking faucet.

- Washing of any motor vehicle, motorbike, boat, trailer, airplane, or other vehicle shall be limited to the use of a hand-held bucket or a hand-held hose equipped with a positive shutoff nozzle for quick rinses. Vehicle washing may be done at any time on the premises of a commercial car wash or commercial service station. Further, such washing may be exempt from these requirements if the health, safety, and welfare of the public are contingent upon frequent vehicle cleansing, such as garbage trucks and vehicles used to transport food and perishables.